

# Michigan State Forest Campgrounds & Pathways

## Upper Peninsula



Department of Natural Resources  
Forest, Mineral and Fire Management  
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CAMPGROUND: LOCATION		# of Sites						
<b>BARAGA MANAGEMENT UNIT</b> (906) 353-6651								
1	EMILY LAKE: 2 miles S of Twin Lake State Park via Emily Lake Rd	9				✓		R
2	BIG ERIC'S BRIDGE: 6 miles E of Skanee	20		✓		✓	C	✓
3	BIG LAKE: 9 miles NW of Covington via M-28 & Plains Rd	12				✓	C	
4	KING LAKE: 15 miles SE of Covington via M-28, US-41, then S on King Lake Rd	6				✓		R
5	BEAUFORT LAKE: 1.5 miles SE of Three Lakes via US-41 & Beaufort Rd	7				✓		R ✓
<b>CRYSTAL FALLS MANAGEMENT UNIT</b> (906) 875-6622								
6	DEER LAKE: 17 miles N of Crystal Falls via US-141 & Deer Lake Rd	12				✓		R
7	GLIDDEN LAKE: 6 miles SE of Crystal Falls via M-69 & Lake Mary Rd	23	A			✓		R ✓
8	WEST BRANCH: 7 miles N of Ralph via Co Rd 581	18	B	✓		✓		
9	GENE'S POND: 6.5 miles NW of Felch via Co Rd 581 (G-67) & Co Rd 422	14	C			✓		R
10	CARNEY LAKE: 16 miles NE of Iron Mountain via M-95 & Merriman Truck Trail	16				✓		R ✓
<b>GWINN MANAGEMENT UNIT</b> (906) 346-9201								
11	SQUAW LAKE: 4 miles NW of Witch Lake via Fence River Rd & Squaw Lake Rd	15				✓		R ✓
12	N. HORSESHOE LAKE: 1.25 miles W of Witch Lake via Fence River Rd	10				✓		R
13	BASS LAKE: 12 mile SW of Gwinn	22				✓		R ✓
14	PIKE LAKE: 8 miles SW of Gwinn via M-35 & Crooked Lake Rd (Co Rds EO & ETT)	10		#3		✓		R
15	ANDERSON LAKE WEST: 5 miles SW of Gwinn via Co Rd 577	19	H			✓		R
16	LITTLE LAKE: 1 mile SE of Little Lake via M-35	26				✓		R
17	FOREST LAKE: 2.5 miles SW of Forest Lake via M-94 & Campground Rd	23		✓		✓		R
<b>ESCANABA MANAGEMENT UNIT</b> (906) 786-2354								
18	CEDAR RIVER NORTH: 6 miles NW of Cedar River via M-35 and River Rd	18	K	✓		✓	C	✓
<b>SHINGLETON MANAGEMENT UNIT</b> (906) 452-6227								
19	KINGSTON LAKE: 16 miles NE of Melstrand via H-58 Au Sable Pt. Rd	16	O			✓		R ✓
20	NORTH GEMINI LAKE: 10 miles NE of Melstrand via Co Rd H-58 & Twin Lakes Truck Trail	17	N			✓		R
21	SOUTH GEMINI LAKE: 12 miles NE of Melstrand via Co Rd H-58 & Twin Lakes Truck Trail to Co Rd 450	8	N			✓	C	
22	ROSS LAKE: 14 miles NE of Melstrand via Co Rd H-58 & Ross Lake Rd	10				✓		R
23	CANOE LAKE: 9 miles E of Melstrand via H-52, Co Rd 450 & Wolf Lake Rd	4				✓	C	
24	CUSINO LAKE: 11 miles E of Melstrand via H-52 & Co Rd 450	6				✓	C	
25	FOX RIVER: 5 miles NW of Seney via Co Rd 450	7	O	✓		✓	C	
26	EAST BRANCH OF FOX RIVER: 8 miles N of Seney via M-77	19		✓		✓		✓
27	MERWIN CREEK: 9 miles NW of Gulliver via US-2, Co Rds 438 & 433	10		✓				R
28	MEAD CREEK: 6 miles SW of Germfask via M-77 & Co Rd 436	10		✓		✓		R
29	PORTAGE BAY: 10 miles S of Garden via Co Rd 483 & Portage Bay Rd	23	Q			✓	C	✓

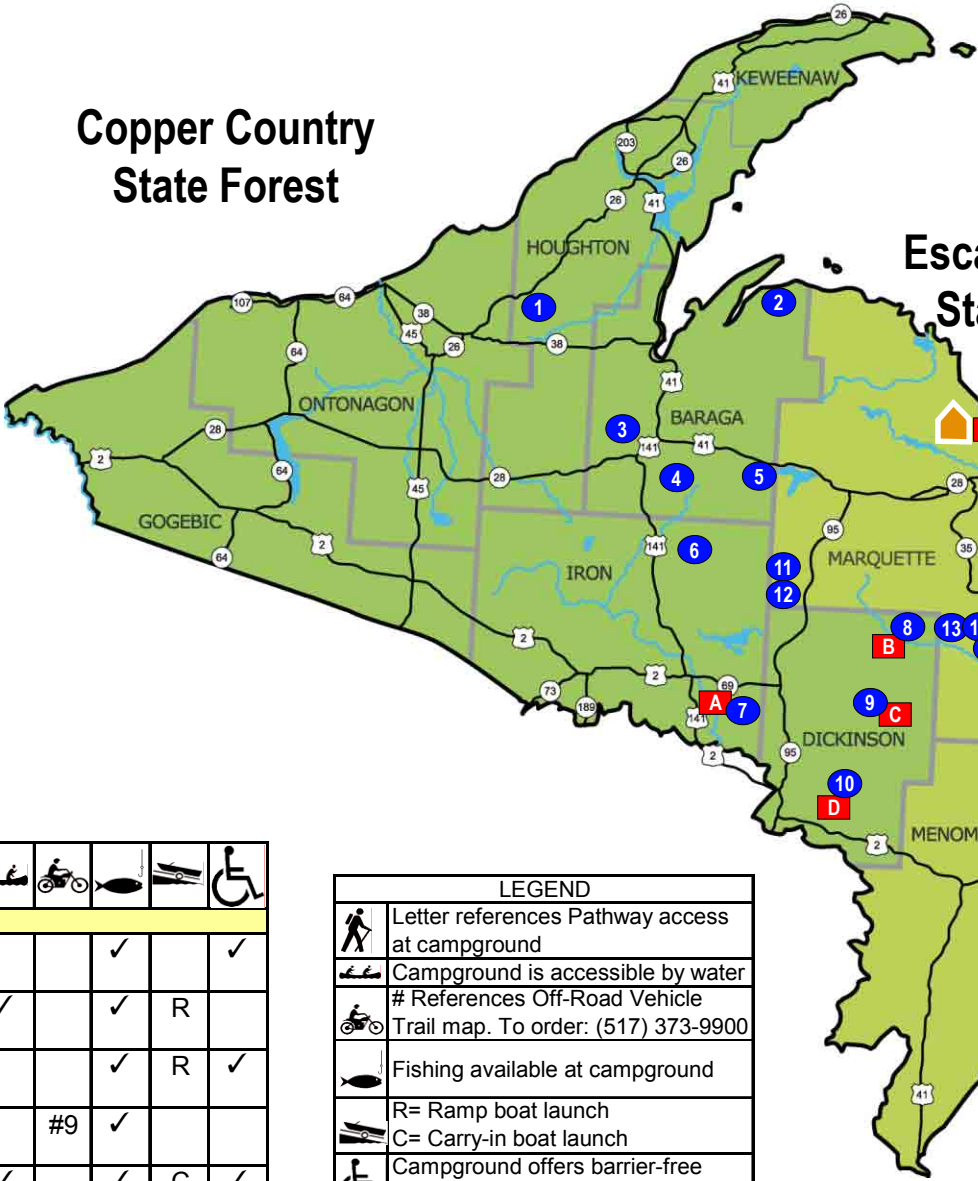


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<b>NEWBERRY MANAGEMENT UNIT</b> (906) 293-3293								
30	LAKE SUPERIOR: 34 miles NW of Newberry via M-123 & Co Rd 407	18	NCT			✓		✓
31	BLIND SUCKER NO. 1: 34 miles NW of Newberry via M-123 & Co Rd 407	13			✓		✓	R
32	BLIND SUCKER NO. 2: 33 miles NW of Newberry via M-123 & Co Rd 407	32				✓		R ✓
33	HOLLAND LAKE: 25 miles NW of Newberry via M-123, Co Rds 407 & 416	15			#9	✓		
34	PRETTY LAKE: 27 miles NW of Newberry via M-123, Co Rds 407 & 416	18		✓		✓	C	✓
35	PERCH LAKE: 25 miles N of Newberry via M-123 & Co Rd 407	35				✓		R
36	HEADQUARTERS LAKE: 24 miles N of Newberry via M-123 & Co Rd 407	8				✓	C	
37	HIGH BRIDGE: 23 miles SW of Newberry via M-123 & Co Rd 407	7		✓		✓		
38	REED & GREEN BRIDGE: 31 miles NE of Newberry via M-123 and Co Rds 407 & 410	6		✓		✓		
39	MOUTH OF TWO HEARTED RIVER: 35 miles NE of Newberry via M-123, Co Rds 500, 414, & 423	39	NCT			✓		R
40	CULHANE LAKE: 30 miles NE of Newberry via M-123 & Co Rd 500	22	NCT			✓		R
41	BODI LAKE: 32 miles NE of Newberry via M-123 & Co Rds 500 & 437	20	L			✓		R
42	PIKE LAKE: 29 miles NE of Newberry via M-123, Co Rds 500 & 414	23				✓		R
43	ANDRUS LAKE: 6 miles N of Paradise via Wire Rd & Vermillion Rd	25				✓		R ✓
44	SHELLDRAKE DAM: 8 miles N of Paradise via Wire Rd & Vermillion Rd	17				✓		R
45	BASS LAKE: 9.5 miles N of McMillan via Co Rds 415 & 455	18				✓		R
46	NATALIE: 4.5 miles W of Newberry via Co Rds 405 & 434	12	M	✓		✓		R

LEGEND	
	Letter references Pathway access at campground
	Campground is accessible by water
#	References Off-Road Vehicle
	Trail map. To order: (517) 373-9900
	Fishing available at campground
R=	Ramp boat launch
C=	Carry-in boat launch
	Campground offers barrier-free facilities

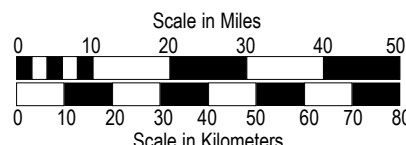
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<b>SAULT STE MARIE MANAGEMENT UNIT</b> (906) 635-5281								
47	SOUTH MANISTIQUE LAKE: 6 miles SW of Curtis via S. Curtis Rd & Long Point Rd	29				✓		R ✓
48	MILAKOKIA LAKE: 7 miles SW of Gould City via US-2 & Pike Lake Grade	35				✓		R
49	BIG KNOB: 14 miles SW of Naubinway via US-2 & Big Knob Rd	23	T U	✓				
50	BLACK RIVER: 7 miles NE of Naubinway via US-2 & Black River Rd	12	W			✓	C	
51	GARNET LAKE: 1 mile SE of Garnet	10				✓		C
52	HOG ISLAND POINT: 7 miles E of Naubinway via US-2	59		✓		✓		✓
53	LITTLE BREVORT LAKE (North Unit): 2 miles SE of Brevort via Carp River Rd & Worth Rd	20	V			✓		R
54	LITTLE BREVORT LAKE (South Unit): 1.5 miles SE of Brevort via US-2	12	V			✓		R
55	MUNUSCONG RIVER: 8 miles NE of Pickford via M-48 & Sterling Rd	50		✓		✓		R
56	DETOUR: 5 miles W of DeTour via M-134	21	NCT	✓				
57	LIME ISLAND: 3 miles E of Raber in the St. Marys River	8				✓		✓

## Copper Country State Forest



## Escanaba River State Forest

## Lake Superior State Forest



### RUSTIC CABINS & COTTAGES

For those who enjoy the quiet and beauty of the state forest, but prefer alternatives to tent camping, we offer two locations with cabins and cottages in the Upper Peninsula.

#### Little Presque Isle Rustic Cabins

Marquette County

Enjoy the seclusion of a log cabin get away among the birch and pine woodlands of Harlow Lake and Harlow Creek. Natural beauty surrounds you with miles of hiking trails, over four miles of Lake Superior beach, breathtaking scenery, fishing opportunities and wildlife viewing all year long. Cabins are available at \$35.00 per night. For more information and reservations, contact the Marquette Operations Service Center by phone (906) 228-6561.

#### Lime Island Cottages & Camping

Chippewa County

Sit atop a bluff overlooking the St. Marys River and watch Great Lake freighters pass by, hike on many trails that lace the island, fish from shore or enjoy a sandy beach. All this and more are offered seasonally on beautiful Lime Island. Cottages are available at \$45.00 per night. Camping on raised tent platforms is also available. For more information and reservations, contact the Sault Ste. Marie Management Unit, 2001 Ashmun Box 798, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783 or phone (906) 635-5281.



PATHWAY: DIRECTIONS TO TRAILHEAD		FEATURES
<b>CRYSTAL FALLS MANAGEMENT UNIT</b> (906) 875-6622		
A	LAKE MARY PLAINS: Trailhead located at Glidden Lake SF Campground	10 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike, camp (7)
B	WEST BRANCH: Trailhead located at West Branch SF Campground	1.4 miles, hike, bike, camp (8)
C	GENE'S POND: Trailhead located at Gene's Pond SF Campground	2.3 miles, hike, bike, camp (9)
D	MERRIMAN EAST: 13 mi NE of Iron Mountain via M-95 & Merriman Rd	9.5 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike
<b>GWINN MANAGEMENT UNIT</b> (906) 346-9201		
E	LITTLE PRESQUE ISLE / HARLOW LAKE: 5 miles N of Marquette on Co Rd 550, trail is on west side of road	18 miles, hike, bike
F	BLUEBERRY RIDGE: 6 miles S of Marquette via Co Rd 553 & Co Rd 480. Parking on east side of Co Rd 553	12 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike, 1.7 miles lighted for night skiing
G	TYOGA: 12 miles NW of Au Train via M-28 & Campground Rd	1.4 miles, hike, bike
H	ANDERSON LAKE: Trailhead located at Anderson Lake West SF Campground	6+ miles, groomed ski, hike, bike, camp (15)
<b>ESCANABA MANAGEMENT UNIT</b> (906) 786-2354		
I	DAYS RIVER: 3 miles NW of Gladstone via US-2 & Days River Rd	9 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike
J	DAYS RIVER NATURE TRAIL: 2 miles N of Kipling on Old US-2	.75 mile, hike, bike, interpretive trail
K	CEDAR RIVER: 8 miles N of Cedar River (town) via M-35 & Co Rd 551	8 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike, camp (18)
<b>NEWBERRY MANAGEMENT UNIT</b> (906) 293-3293		
L	BODI LAKE: 32 miles NE of Newberry via M-123 & Co Rds 500 & 437 at Bodi Lake SF Campground	1.25 miles, hike, bike, camp (41)
M	CANADA LAKE: 5.5 miles SE of Newberry via M-123, M-28 & Co Rd 403	14 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike, camp (46)
<b>SHINGLETON MANAGEMENT UNIT</b> (906) 452-6227		
N	GEMINI LAKE: 12 miles NE of Melstrand via Co Rd H-58 & Twin Lakes Truck Trail at South Gemini Lake SF Campground	1.5 miles, hike, bike, camp (20 & 21)
O	FOX RIVER: Kingston Lake SF Campground (H-58 or Kingston Lake Rd); Seney Township Campground (5 miles N of Seney on Co Rd 450)	27.5 miles, hike, bike, camp (19 & 25)
P	INDIAN LAKE: 9 miles NW of Thompson via M-149	8.5 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike
Q	NINGA AKI: Trailhead located at Portage Bay SF Campground	2.25 miles, hike, bike, camping (29)
<b>SAULT STE MARIE MANAGEMENT UNIT</b> (906) 635-5281		
R	ALGONQUIN: In Sault Ste Marie. Take I-75 to 3 Mile Rd, 20th St. W. & 16th Ave W	9.3 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike, 2 miles lighted
S	PINE BOWL: 19 miles SW of Sault Ste Marie via I-75, Tone Rd. & Wilson Rd	7.7 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike
T	MARSH LAKE: Trailhead located at Big Knob SF Campground	1.5 miles, hike, bike, camp (49)
U	BIG KNOB/CROW LAKE: 12 miles SW of Nawbinway via US-2 & Big Knob Rd	25 mile (Big Knob), 2.5 miles (Crow Lake); hike, camp (49)
V	SWITCHBACK RIDGE: Trailhead located between N & S units of Little Brevort SF Campgrounds	2.25 miles, hike, camp (53 & 54)
W	PETERS CREEK: 5.5 miles NE of Naubinway via Hiawatha Trail & Peters Creek Truck Trail	2.2 miles, groomed ski, hike, bike, camp (50)
<b>NORTH COUNTRY TRAIL ASSOCIATION</b> (616) 454-5506		
N C T	NORTH COUNTRY TRAIL: National Scenic Trail with segments extending from North Dakota to New York	1150 miles in Michigan, camp (30, 39, 40, 56)

### MICHIGAN STATE FOREST CAMPGROUNDS

If you're looking for a rustic camping experience, with plenty of space between campsites, the 145 state forest campgrounds are for you. Located throughout Michigan's Northern Lower Peninsula and Upper Peninsula, the state forest campgrounds provide over 3000 campsites in the nearly 4 million acre state forest.

Every campground is located on a river or lake, providing excellent access to fishing, boating, and canoeing. Over sixty campgrounds have nearby pathways for non-motorized trail recreation such as hiking, biking, horseback riding, and nature observation. The campgrounds are also the base for other recreation opportunities including picnicking, mushroom gathering, berry picking, cross country skiing, and hunting.

Accommodations range from five to fifty campsites, with group sites available. All campgrounds have vault toilets and potable water from hand pumps. Some sites are so remote they can only be reached by a determined hike through picturesque woods or by paddling down a scenic river course.



### STATE FOREST RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES

Michigan's 3.9 million acre state forest provides for endless recreation opportunities in a variety of land and water settings. Recreation programs administered by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Forest, Mineral and Fire Management Division include Campgrounds, Pathways and Water Access. Snowmobile, Off-Road Vehicle and State Trailways programs are administered in cooperation with State Parks and Recreation Bureau.

Along with these developed recreation opportunities in state forests, there are a variety of activities to be enjoyed in the vast freedom of Michigan's untamed state forest lands such as hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, berry and mushroom gathering, and much more. In combination, these recreation opportunities taking place in the state forests account for an estimated 18.4 million visits a year.

The State Forest lands cover 3.9 million acres and include:

- 145 Campgrounds with 2945 Campsites
- 880 miles of Hiking, Biking, Pathways
- 242 miles of groomed Cross-Country Ski Pathways
- 355 miles of Shore-to-Shore Riding-Hiking Trail
- 657 miles of Rail-Trail converted from railroads
- 6,000 miles of groomed Snowmobile trails
- 3,100+ miles of designated Off-Road Vehicle trails/routes
- 7,000 miles of Canoe Streams
- 13,000 miles of Trout Waters
- 500 miles of Great Lakes Shoreline
- 601 water access sites on Michigan's lakes & streams

### CAMPING FEE & REGISTRATION

- Select a vacant campsite and register immediately.
- Fill out a registration form and permit.
- Tear off the permit.
- Daily camping fee is posted at the campground information station.
- Seniors age 65 or older may camp for half the posted fee.
- Place cash or check made payable to "State of Michigan" in envelope and deposit in camping fee collection pipe.
- Attach paid camp permit to campsite marker posts.
- Set up camp and enjoy your stay.

### GENERAL CAMPGROUND RULES

- Camp only in designated site.
- Build campfires in designated fire ring.
- Campsite may be left unoccupied for no more than 24 hours.
- Occupy only one campsite.
- Horses allowed in designated campgrounds only.
- Dogs are allowed on a leash no more than six feet long.
- Fireworks are not permitted.
- Discharge of firearms, air guns, slingshots, or arrows are not permitted.
- Radios, generators, or other amplified devices may not be used in a manner that creates excessive noise.
- 10:00pm to 8:00am are designated quiet hours.
- Registration can take place as early as 8:00am preceding the overnight stay.
- Checkout time is 3:00pm the following day.
- Camp up to 15 days; stay longer with permission from the local manager.

### CAMPING HINTS

#### Prepare

- Know about the area and how to get there.
- Check the weather forecast for the area.
- Pack enough clothes, food, matches, and equipment to keep you through an emergency.
- Notify someone of where you're going in case you need to be found.

#### Prevent

- Keep campfires small, within the fire ring, and attended at all times. Make sure ashes are cold or damp when you leave a fire.
- Secure food to keep animals from getting into it.
- Be a good camping neighbor and control your noise/dog.
- Protect**
- Keep the trees and shrubs around your campsite alive and growing.
- Protect drinking water by only filling your water containers at the well.
- Keep food, toothpaste, soap, and all cleaning activities 100 feet away from wells, streams, and lakes.
- Pack out all your trash including any litter you may find in the campground.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Call the Management Unit phone numbers provided on the campground and pathway matrix or visit the Michigan Department of Natural Resources web site at [www.michigandnr.com](http://www.michigandnr.com).